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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: ETEL, GW
SUBJECT: L W FREQUENCY 209

REF: A. STATE 177465 B. BONN 12555

1. EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS URGENCY OF RESOLVING 209
SITUATION BUT MUST NOTE THAT VIRTUALLY ALL GERMAN
PARTICIPANTS IN OCTOBER AND/OR MARCH MEETINGS ARE ON
LEAVE (KRATH) OR HAVE BEEN REPLACED (OTHER POSTAL
MINISTRY OFFICIALS, FOREIGN MINISTRY) WITH NEW
OFFICERS ARRIVING MID OR LATE AUGUST.

2. WE ARE PREPARED, HOWEVER, TO RAISE WITH GERMANS
SUBJECT OF HOLDING THIRD ROUND OF US-FRG TALKS
TO BRING ENTIRE NEGOTIATING PROCESS TO SUCCESSFUL
COMPLETION. ASSUMING THE FRG WOULD HOST THIS THIRD
ROUND, PLEASE ADVISE US OF DATES WHEN US WISHES TO
HOLD TALKS, COMPOSITION OF U.S. GROUP, AND SPECIFIC
SUBJECTS U.S. WANTS TO RAISE. WE SHALL THEN
APPROACH THE BPM WITH OUR PROPOSAL.

3. EMBOFF DISCUSSED DEUTSCHE WELLE ISSUE WITH
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DIRECTOR OF OFFICE IN FOREIGN MINISTRY HANDLING DW
MATTERS, THE SAME OFFICE THAT REPRESENTED THE
FOREIGN MINISTRY IN THE OCTOBER TALKS. THE DIRECTOR
WAS NOT FAMILIAR WITH ALL THE DETAILS OF THE
DISCUSSIONS CONCERNING OUR REQUEST FOR DW USE, BUT
ASSURED EMBOFF THAT ALL THE FRG MINISTERIES INVOLVED
REALIZED THAT THE DW SUBJECT WAS PART OF THE TOTAL

U.S. PROPOSAL.

4. COMMENT: WE AGREE THAT VENHAUS DW STATEMENT CANNOT BE TAKEN AS A FINAL POSITION. VENHAUS HAD JUST RETURNED FROM A SIX WEEK BUSINESS TRIP AND HIS REMARKS CONCERNING DW MIGHT EASILY HAVE BEEN "OFF THE CUFF". EMBASSY CONTINUES TO REGARD DW PROPOSAL AS PART OF THE ISSUES NEEDING RESOLUTION BEFORE FINAL DISPOSITION OF 209.

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